

# Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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VisitType: Complaint Investigation & **Date:** 8/26/2019 Arrival: 9:45 AM Departure: 2:15 PM

Monitoring Visit

**CCLC-36406** 

# **Fayette Early Learning Academy**

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Quality Rated: \*





<u>Com</u>	oliance Zone Desig	<u>nation</u>
08/26/2019	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
03/18/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
11/05/2018	POI Follow Up	Support

Compliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good standing, support, and deficient.

Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting

Total Capacity @25 sq.

ft.: 0

Support

Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

**Deficient** 

Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

#### Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	Bumblebees	PreK	2	21	С	18	NC	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Butterflies		0	0	С	12	С	NA	NA	
Main	Caterpillars		0	0	С	8	С	NA	NA	
Main	Chameleons	Two Year Olds	1	9	С	15	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Dragonflies	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	10	С	20	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Frogs		0	0	С	30	С	NA	NA	
Main	Grasshoppers		0	0	С	12	С	NA	NA	
Main	Lady Bugs	One Year Olds	1	6	С	12	С	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Lightening Bugs		0	0	С	15	С	NA	NA	
Main	Tadpoles	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	С	10	С	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play,Nap
Main	Turtles	One Year Olds	1	6	С	9	С	NA	NA	Outside
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	61		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

**Playground Playground** Building Compliance **Playground** Occupancy Main PG left 27 С Main PG right 67 С

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 161

#### Comments

Total # Children this Date: 58

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).



Please refer to the website, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at http://gbi.georgia.gov to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

#### Refutation Process:

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)





#### **Important New Deadlines:**

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

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## **Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

**Activities and Equipment** 

591-1-1-.03 Activities Met

Correction Deadline: 3/18/2019

Corrected on 8/26/2019

.03(2) - Correction observed on this date. Lesson plans were present.

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

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591-1-1-.12(2) - Please monitor the child size equipment in the dragonflies (zebra) classroom.

Correction Deadline: 8/26/2019

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

**Not Met** 

Correction Deadline: 4/17/2019

Corrected on 8/26/2019

.25(11) - Correction observed on this date. Repairs were made to the carpet.

Correction Deadline: 3/25/2019

#### Corrected on 8/26/2019

.25(3) - Correction observed on this date.

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.25(8) requires protective caps on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and requires that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were present:

Cords used for the CD player and the microwave were accessible to children in the frogs classroom that was used for before and after school care..

#### **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to check outlets and replace protective caps when needed and identify and monitor how outlets in use are inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 9/2/2019

#### Recited on 8/26/2019

#### 591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were present:

#### Playground right:

The plastic green coating was not attached completely on the right side of the steps.

The red fabric on the back of the upper seat on the see-saw was fraying.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 9/2/2019

Recited on 8/26/2019

Correction Deadline: 3/25/2019

#### Corrected on 8/26/2019

.26(9) - Correction observed on this date.

# **Health and Hygiene**

# 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) Comment Proper diapering procedures observed. 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR) Comment Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands. 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) Met Comment Document Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete. Safety

# 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

#### 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

#### 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

**Staff Records** 

#### **Records Reviewed: 7**

# **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 11/21/2017

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 05/10/2013

Staff # 3

Date of Hire: 05/10/2013

Staff # 4 Met

Staff # 5 Met

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 05/10/2013

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 09/21/2016

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

# 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

#### Comment

Director provided 5 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

# 591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met

#### Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

# **Staffing and Supervision**

# 591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

# Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

# 591-1-1-.32 **Supervision(CR)**

Met

#### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.